

PUBLIC COMPANIES

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY CO., LD.

AN INTERIM DIVIDEND of Six Dollars per Share for six months ending 30th June, 1903, will be payable on the 28th instant, on which date Dividend Warrants may be obtained on application at the Company's Office.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED on the 22nd to the 28th INSTANT (both days inclusive).

By Order of the Board of Directors,
A. SHELTON HOOPER,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 14th July, 1903. [2026]

THE WEST POINT BUILDING COMPANY, LIMITED.

AN INTERIM DIVIDEND of One Dollar and a Half per Share for six months ending 30th June, 1903, will be payable on the 28th instant, on which date Dividend Warrants may be obtained on application at the Company's Office.

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By Order of the Board of Directors,
A. SHELTON HOOPER,
Secretary to the Hongkong Land Investment & Agency Co., Ltd.,
General Agents for the West Point Building Co., Limited.

Hongkong, 14th July, 1903. [2027]

THE HONGKONG ICE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

IN accordance with the Provisions of No. 104 of the Articles of Association the General Managers have this day declared an INTERIM DIVIDEND for the half-year ended 30th June, 1903, of Four Dollars per Share.

DIVIDEND WARRANTS may be obtained on application at the Office of the Company on and after TUESDAY, 23rd JULY.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 20th to 28th INST., both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, 15th July, 1903. [2043]

HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAM-BOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE SEVENTY-FOURTH ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the OFFICE of the Company, No. 18, Bank Buildings, Queen's Road Central, on TUESDAY, the 4th AUGUST, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts, declaring a Dividend, confirming the appointment of Directors, and re-electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 21st of JULY to the 4th AUGUST, inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
J. GOOSMANN,
Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, 15th July, 1903. [2041]

WILLIAM POWELL, LIMITED.

THE SECOND ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above-named Company will be held at the COMPANY'S PREMISES, No. 28, Queen's Road Central, on WEDNESDAY, the 5th AUGUST, 1903, at Noon, to receive the Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 30th June, 1903, electing Directors, and declaring a Dividend.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 31st JULY to the 5th AUGUST, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
R. G. HECKFORD,
Manager.

Hongkong, 21st July, 1903. [2034]

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in this Corporation will be held at the CITY HALL, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 15th day of AUGUST next, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 30th June, 1903.

By Order of the Court of Directors,
J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 22nd July, 1903. [2033]

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the REGISTERS of SHARES of the Corporation will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, the 15th, to the 15th day of AUGUST next (both days inclusive), during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Court of Directors,
J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 22nd July, 1903. [2034]

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the following Certificates for Shares of this Bank issued in Hongkong in the name of THOMAS CHILD HAYLLAR, No. 75 dated 18th July, 1871 for 2 Shares Nos. 36438 and 29479; No. 3871 dated 30th Sept. 1871 for 4 Shares Nos. 3982/83; No. 189 dated 19th Feb. 1872 for 4 Shares Nos. 21855/58; have been LOST, and should the same not be produced before the 3rd day of August next, Duplicate Certificates will be issued to the said THOMAS CHILD HAYLLAR, and no transaction taking place under the aforesaid Share Certificates Nos. 75, 3871 and 189, will be recognised by the Corporation.

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PUBLIC WORKS IN 1902.

The report of Mr. W. Chatham, Director of Public Works, for 1902 is published in the Gazette. We make the following extracts:—

WORK UNDER THE BUILDING ORDINANCE.
Plans.—Plans were deposited during the year for the following:—European houses, 33; Chinese houses, 467; buildings and structures other than the above, 370; alterations and additions to existing buildings, 809. Total, 1,679. There was a marked decrease, as compared with 1901, in the two first items, the new houses for which plans were submitted numbering only 500 as against 952. In the fourth item there was an increase of 237.

Certificates.—Certificates for 937 new buildings were issued under section 53 of Ordinance 15 of 1889, an increase of 244 as compared with 1901.

Notices and Permits.—Notices relating to structures in a dangerous condition were served in 144 cases, whilst 1,588 permits and 74 notices of a miscellaneous nature were issued.

Ordinances.—A Bill consolidating the laws in force relative to buildings and containing numerous amendments was read a first time on the 11th March, but was subsequently withdrawn in consequence of its being ascertained that it did not embody all the suggestions which the sanitary experts (Mr. O. Chadwick and Professor Simpson) proposed to make with a view to improving the sanitary condition of the City. Another Bill, entitled the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance, in which all the laws in force relating to these matters were consolidated and amended, was read a first time on the 7th July, 1902. It had not, however, been passed by the close of the year. Its principal features were the abolition of nuisances not directly lighted by windows, the requirement of lanes and larger yard-spaces, and the statement of overcrowding by requiring a greater floor-area and cubic space per head in the case of most of the existing houses.

General Remarks.—An unsatisfactory feature of the year was the large number of collapses of buildings which occurred, many of the buildings involved being new or nearly so. In several cases the collapses were attended with considerable loss of life. With a view to preventing such occurrences in future, numerous provisions have been inserted in the new Ordinance referred to above. They included a substantial increase in the thickness of walls and the buildings of certain portions in cement mortar, the insertion of iron tie-rods in unsupported external walls of considerable length, the prohibition of persons practising as architects unless authorised by the Governor in Council, and the imposition of increased responsibilities upon architects.

PUBLIC WORKS RECURRENT.

Maintenance of Waterworks, City and Hill District.—The year 1902 will be a memorable one on account of the severe drought experienced during the early part of it; the subsequent heavy rainfall condensed into a period of about three months; and the necessity of again resorting to intermittent supply in consequence of the early cessation of the rains, the rainfall of September being the lowest on record. During the entire year a constant supply of water was maintained for 160 days only, the supply being intermittent for the remaining 205 days. The following were the periods of intermittent supply:—1st January to 24th May and 1st November to 31st December. An account of the earlier stages of the drought having been given in last year's report, it is only necessary to repeat here that the contents of the reservoirs had been reduced to 146 million gallons on the 1st January. In view of the fact that the shrinkage in the reservoirs from 11th November, 1901, when the intermittent system was introduced, to the 1st January, 1902, was 95 million gallons, or at the rate of 13 million gallons per week, it became necessary to consider what further measures could be adopted besides those already in force, in order to maintain a supply of water until the commencement of the rainy season.

In order to economise the supply remaining, the following steps were taken:—(a.) On the 13th January, the hours of supply to the City were reduced from 4 to 3 daily. (b.) On the 22nd January, the practice of turning on water for cleansing and disinfecting purposes was discontinued, the Sanitary Board having been previously instructed to make other arrangements for obtaining a supply. (c.) A few days later, all supplies to shipping and for building purposes were disconnected. Attention was next turned to the adoption of measures to supplement the supply from other sources, and on the 12th February a committee, consisting of the Harbour Master, the Registrar General, and the Director of Public Works, was appointed by His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government with full powers to take whatever steps they thought necessary for the purpose.

Prior to this, an inspection had been made of several of the principal streams on the mainland within reasonable distance of the City, resulting in the selection of one near Tuenmun. The question of resuming possession of the Lai-chi-kok stream, which had been leased to the Steam Water-boat Co., was considered, but was abandoned on account of the daily yielding being somewhat inadequate, besides which its resumption would have caused serious interference with the supply to the shipping. The settlement of the Company's claim for damages would also have been a troublesome matter. Though considerably farther afield, being six miles distant from the City, the stream near Tuenmun was free from these objections.

It had a yield of about half a million gallons per day and was used only for driving a sandalwood-grinding mill, and, as samples tested by the Government Analyst

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LATE TELEGRAMS.

[VIA JAPAN AND SHANGHAI.]

THE NORTHERN CRISIS.

PEKING REPORTS.

Peking, 11th July.

The Russo-Chinese Bank at Newchwang is very reluctant to make any advances now. It is generally understood that this is due to the Bank's anxiety as to the future of the Manchurian question.

Peking, 12th July.

The Japanese Minister, Mr. Uchida, called on Prince Ching yesterday. Prince Ching showed a more cordial attitude, and the two officials remained together longer than usual. Prince Ching is reported to have declared that he would take up a strong attitude vis-à-vis Russia and refuse the demands regarding Manchuria. Prince Ching's altered tone is attributed to Japan's firmness on the Manchurian question, notwithstanding the Cabinet crisis, as well as to the Port Arthur conference. It is believed that China will now depend upon Japan more than she has in the past.

Peking, 13th July.

Russia has decided to prepare for emergency as a result of the Port Arthur conference, and two Divisions of Cossacks are now being mobilised in the Don districts. These men are now being sent to Tsikha and Hailar. The force is expected to act as a rear-guard in case of war. The Russian authorities have issued an order for mobilisation in Manchuria and the order is already being carried out in Kirin province. An Inkao dispatch gives the number to be mobilised in Manchuria at 104,000.

AMERICAN HOSTILITY.

London, 13th July.

The statement made by General Kuropatkin with regard to Newchwang in connection with the American hostility against Russia has caused great indignation in Washington.

PRESS OPINIONS.

London, 15th July.

The Times declares that when the result of the Port Arthur deliberations becomes known the Powers concerned must act according to the dictates of the interests they have at stake in North China. The Standard believes that Russia fully intends to maintain her position in Manchuria. The New York Herald (Port Arthur) asserts that Russia has informed the Peking authorities that residence of foreigners in Manchuria cannot be permitted.

RUS CUSTODIET?

Berlin, 18th July.

The Nonje Vrenja declares in a leader that Russia is the guardian of peace in Europe and Asia. She dissuades Japan from being influenced by England.—O. Lloyd.

Berlin, 20th July.

Contrary to the reports published by Reuters, it is stated here in official circles that the relations between Russia and Japan in regard to both Korea and Manchuria have nothing in them which need cause any apprehension of an alarming nature.—O. Lloyd.

GENERAL NEWS.

THE KISHINEV MASSACRE.

London, 10th July.

President Roosevelt has decided to discontinue all efforts to compose Manchurian issues, until the Russian Government disposes finally of the petition addressed to them by America on behalf of the Jews respecting the Kishinev massacres.

Berlin, 18th July.

The dispute between Russia and the United States about the Kishinev affair is settled.—O. Lloyd.

THE WAR OFFICE DUTY.

London, 17th July.

Tests are being made with the view of equipping the army with quick-firers. Four experimental batteries are expected to be ready in August.—N. C. D. N.

VENEZUELA.

Berlin, 17th July.

Venezuela has paid the last instalment of the German claims.—O. Lloyd.

THE SAXON EX-PRINCES.

Berlin, 17th July.

The King of Saxony has conferred upon the divorced Crown Princess the name of Countess Montgolfier.—O. Lloyd.

OPEN DOORS IN MANCHURIA.

London, 18th July.

It is understood at Washington that the ports to be opened to the trade of the world will be Mukden and Tatungtao.—N. C. D. N.

ECLIPSE STAKES.

London, 18th July.

Before the Eclipse Stakes was run, Ard Patrick was purchased by Count Lebedorff for twenty thousand guineas, but is not to be delivered until the end of the racing season.—N. C. D. N.

IRELAND AT BISKAY.

London, 18th July.

Ireland has won the Elcho Shield at Biskay.

Scotland and England tied for second place.—N. C. D. N.

THE AMERICA CUP.

London, 20th July.

The trials of the new Shamrock in American waters have been very successful. Captain Hall, formerly skipper of a Cup defender, believes that Shamrock III. will win the Cup.—N. C. D. N.

THE POPE'S DEATH.

London, 21st July.

At midday yesterday all the Cardinals, Ambassadors, and Dignitaries were admitted to the death-chamber, and extreme unction was administered. The Pope with great effort blessed the assemblage, and clasped the hands of all the Cardinals in turn.—N. C. D. N.

[VIA MANILA.]

THE JEWS IN RUSSIA.

New York, 21st July.

A special despatch to the Herald from St. Petersburg says: Russia rejects President Roosevelt's petition in favour of the Jews of Russia. There is intense sentiment here in official circles against the interference of the United States, and Americans are not on the top wave of popularity in the Russian capital. In the United States the agitation against the cruelty of Russia toward the Jews of that country continues, though not at the fever pitch it was some weeks ago. The rejection of the President's petition has been expected. Combined with Russia's obstreperous acts in Manchuria, it has provoked an anti-Russian sentiment in America.

REMOVED FLOT AGAINST KAISER.

New York, 21st July.

A special despatch to the New York Tribune from Berlin tells of the discovery of a plot to kill the Kaiser. The schemers were the usual lawless gang that finds a home in London, and they had apparently matured plans to send the Emperor of Germany to death at the first opportunity. This was to come when he next appeared in public.

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STOREKEEPERS.

F. BLACKHEAD & CO., Navy Contractors, Sailmakers, Provision and Coal Merchants, Sole Agents for Hartmann's Ration's Genuine Composition Red Lin and Brand.

SHIPBUILDERS.

KAONG SANG & CO., Shipbuilders, Sailmakers, Provisioners, Coal Merchants, Hardware, Engineers' Tools, Brass and Iron Merchants, 144, Des Vaux Road.

WATCHMAKERS.

MOORE & SEIMUND, 25 and 26, Connaught Road, Praya Central. Shipbuilders, Sailmakers, Riggers, Commission Agents and General Storekeepers. Sole Agents for Shaw Brothers Composition ("Greyhound Brand") and Blundell's Spence & Co.'s Composition.

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SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.	
July 25, ATHENIAN, British str., 2,440, S. Robinson, Vancouver 29th June, General.—C. P. K. Co.	
July 25, GABRIEL, British str., 2,601, William Finch, San Francisco 27th June and Shanghai 23rd July, Mails and General.—O. & O. S. N. Co.	
July 25, HAILONG, British str., 781, J. Evans, Shanghai 24th July, General.—DOUGLAS LAURENCE & Co.	
July 25, HANOI, French str., 739, P. Morleau, Haiphong 21st July and Hoihow 24th, General.—A. R. MARTY.	
July 25, KAMPOT, French str., 312, Bevy, Saigon 21st July, General.—CHINESE.	
July 25, LAURENCE, German str., 1,338, Th. Lehmann, Shanghai 22nd July, General.—Shanghai 22nd July, General.—SIEMSEN & Co.	
July 25, MARIA RICKMERS, German str., 1,917, H. Dandelin, Bangkok 19th July, General.—ARMHOLD, KÄRBERG & Co.	
July 25, SAT-UMA, British str., 2,690, Chubb, Manila 22nd July, General.—DODWELL & Co., Ltd.	
July 25, SUNGSHAN, British str., 1,621, A. Osterhagen, Manila 2nd July, General.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.	
July 25, TAMBA MARU, Japanese str., 6,120, J. W. Wade, Yokohama via Shanghai 22nd July, General.—NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.	
July 25, ULABRAND, Norwegian str., 1,289, S. Anderson, Moji 16th July, Coal.—CARLSON & Co.	
July 26, VANDERKAMP, British battleship, 12,050, Leslie Stuart, C.M.G., from Home.	
July 26, AMIGO, German str., 822, J. Hansen, Haiphong and Hoihow 23rd July, Rice and General.—JENSEN & Co.	
July 26, GUTHRIE, British str., 2,338, A. E. Dabell, Swatow 25th July, General.—GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.	
July 26, POLYMER, French str., 6,568, Duchateau, Shanghai 24th July, Mails and General.—MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.	
July 26, SINGAI, British str., 1,047, Jamieson, Shanghai 22nd July, General.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.	
July 26, TAILER, German str., 782, P. Michel, Saigon 22nd July, General.—MEYER & Co.	
July 26, THALES, British str., 820, A. J. Robson, Coast Port 25th July, General.—DOUGLAS LAURENCE & Co.	

CLEARANCES.

AT THE HARBOR MASTER'S OFFICE.	
25th July.	
Andree Rickmers, German str., for Swatow.	
Daijin Maru, Japanese str., for Swatow.	
Deima, German str., for Saigon.	
China, German str., for Swatow.	
Hoching, British str., for Swatow.	
Hanoi, French str., for Hoihow.	
Heitor, British str., for Shanghai.	
Konoe, British str., for Singapore.	
Leopold, British str., for Manila.	
Nakano, British str., for Shanghai.	
Phleg, German str., for Canton.	
Prinz, British str., for Kobe.	
Tsutan, German str., for Swatow.	
Tonnan, Chinese str., for Shanghai.	
Zafiro, British str., for Manila.	

DEPARTURES.

25th July.	
C. FERD. LAURENCE, German str., for Yokohama.	
CHINA, German str., for Swatow.	
GERMANIA, German str., for Amoy.	
HAIKUN, French str., for Hoihow.	
HONGKONG, British str., for Hongkong.	
KEMUN, British str., for Manila.	
LONGKANG, British str., for Manila.	
TOONANG, Chinese str., for Shanghai.	
TSINTAU, German str., for Swatow.	
ZAFIRO, British str., for Manila.	
26th July.	
ANDREE RICKMERS, German str., for Swatow.	
DAIJIN MARU, Japanese str., for Swatow.	
DEIMA, German str., for Saigon.	
HAIKUN, British str., for Swatow.	
HANOI, French str., for Hoihow.	
HECTOR, British str., for Shanghai.	
TSINAN, British str., for Kobe.	

VESSELS IN DOCK.

25th July.	
KOWLOON DOCKS.—San Joaquin, Working.	
U.S.A.T. Ingalls, Pown, Boulden, Lena, Victoria.	
COMMERCIAL DOCK.—U.S.A.T. Sumner.	

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer <i>Singon</i> , from Shanghai 22nd July, had moderate S.W. winds, fine, clear weather and smooth sea.	
The British steamer <i>Guthrie</i> , from Swatow 25th July, had fine, clear weather, moderate S.E. winds and smooth sea.	
The British steamer <i>Thales</i> , from Coast Ports 25th July, had fresh S.W. wind, moderate sea and clear weather to Swatow. From Swatow to port light variable winds, smooth sea and fine, clear weather. Vessels in Swatow— <i>Lafayette</i> , <i>Kelvin</i> , <i>Sitani</i> , <i>Perth</i> , <i>Chuanang</i> , <i>Peng-shan</i> , <i>Louah</i> , <i>Billa</i> Nosseck and <i>Thema</i> .	

VESSELS ON THE BERTH.

THE AMERICAN ASIATIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.	
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STEAMSHIP SERVICE FOR NEW YORK VIA THE SUEZ CANAL.	
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THE Steamship	
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"VERONA," Captain Spiesse,	
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will be despatched as above TO-DAY, the 27th JULY, at 4 P.M., to be followed by the Steamship	
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"BARON DRIESEN," Captain Laurent,	
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on or about THURSDAY, the 20th AUGUST, to be followed by the s.s. "NORDKYN" later.	
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For Freight, &c., apply to	
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SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,	
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General Agents.	
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Hongkong, 24th July, 1903.	
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FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.	
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THE Steamship	
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"CATHERINE APCAR,"	
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Captain A. Stewart, will be despatched for the above ports TO-MORROW, the 28th inst., at 3 P.M.	
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For Freight or Passage, apply to	
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DAVID SABSON & CO., LD.,	
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Agents.	
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Hongkong, 22nd July, 1903.	
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"BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.	
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FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.	
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THE Steamship	
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"BENEDICT,"	
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Captain D. Clark, will be despatched as above on or about the 26th inst.	
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For Freight or Passage, apply to	
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GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,	
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Agents.	
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Hongkong, 14th July, 1903.	
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VESSELS ADVERTISED AS LOADING.

DESTINATION	VESSEL'S NAME	FLAG	CAPTAIN	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DESPATCHED
LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.	BENEDICT.	Brit. str.	D. Clark	GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.	About 28th inst.
LONDON, AC, VIA PORTS OF CALL.	COROMANDEL.	Brit. str.	F. J. Fox	P. & O. S. N. Co.	1st Aug., at Noon.
LIVERPOOL	DROKED.	Brit. str.	Thompson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	20th August.
MARSEILLES, AC, VIA PORTS OF CALL.	PINGSUET.	Brit. str.	Thompson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	22nd September.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP.	POLYNESIE.	Brit. str.	Duchateau	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	28th inst., 11 A.M.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP.	SAINT MARC.	Brit. str.	C. Jackson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	18th August.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP.	SAINT MARC.	Brit. str.	W. Townsend	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	8th Aug., Daylight.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP.	SAINT MARC.	Brit. str.	M. F. Jackson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	18th August.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP.	SAINT MARC.	Brit. str.	M. F. Jackson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	1st September.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP.	SAINT MARC.	Brit. str.	M. F. Jackson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	15th September.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP.	SAINT MARC.	Brit. str.	M. F. Jackson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	29th September.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP.	SAINT MARC.	Brit. str.	M. F. Jackson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	6th Aug., at Noon.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP.	SAINT MARC.	Brit. str.	M. F. Jackson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	12th August.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP.	SAINT MARC.	Brit. str.	M. F. Jackson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	28th August.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP.	SAINT MARC.	Brit. str.	M. F. Jackson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	5th September.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP.	SAINT MARC.	Brit. str.	M. F. Jackson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	23rd September.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP.	SAINT MARC.	Brit. str.	M. F. Jackson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	About 25th inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP.	SAINT MARC.	Brit. str.	M. F. Jackson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-day, at 4 P.M.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP.	SAINT MARC.	Brit. str.	M. F. Jackson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	About middle Aug.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP.	SAINT MARC.	Brit. str.	M. F. Jackson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	5th Aug., at Noon.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP.	SAINT MARC.	Brit. str.	M. F. Jackson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	12th August.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP.	SAINT MARC.	Brit. str.	M. F. Jackson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-morrow, 4 P.M.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP.	SAINT MARC.	Brit. str.	M. F. Jackson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	1st August.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP.	SAINT MARC.	Brit. str.	M. F. Jackson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	14th August.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP.	SAINT MARC.	Brit. str.	M. F. Jackson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	28th August.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP.	SAINT MARC.	Brit. str.	M. F. Jackson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	11th August.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP.	SAINT MARC.	Brit. str.	M. F. Jackson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	25th August.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP.	SAINT MARC.	Brit. str.	M. F. Jackson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	8th September.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP.	SAINT MARC.	Brit. str.	M. F. Jackson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	22nd September.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP.	SAINT MARC.	Brit. str.	M. F. Jackson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	6th October.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP.	SAINT MARC.	Brit. str.	M. F. Jackson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	20th October.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP.	SAINT MARC.	Brit. str.	M. F. Jackson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	3rd November.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP.	SAINT MARC.	Brit. str.	M. F. Jackson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	17th November.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP.	SAINT MARC.	Brit. str.	M. F. Jackson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	1st December.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP.	SAINT MARC.	Brit. str.	M. F. Jackson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	15th December.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP.	SAINT MARC.	Brit. str.	M. F. Jackson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	29th December.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOTS-POSTE FRANCAIS.

NOTICE.

STEAM FOR SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, COLOMBO, PONDICHERY, CALCUTTA, DJIBOUTI, EGYPT, MARSEILLES, MEDITERRANEAN AND BLACK SEA PORTS, LONDON, HAVRE, BORDEAUX.

PORTS OF BRAZIL AND RIVER PLATE.

ON TUESDAY, the 27th July, 1903, at 11 A.M., the Company's Steamship "POLYNESIE," Captain Duchateau, with Mails, Passengers, Specie and Cargo, will leave this Port for MARSEILLES via Port of Call, WITHOUT TRANSSHIPMENT.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseille, and accepted in transit through Marseille for the principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon only on Monday, the 27th July, 1903, and Parcels received until 4 P.M. on the same day. No cargo will be received on board on Tuesday.

Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office. Contents and Value of Packages are required.

For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.

Hongkong, 15th July, 1903.

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

(Calling at FORT DARWIN and QUEENSLAND Ports, and taking through Cargo to ADELAIDE, NEW ZEALAND, TASMANIA, &c.)

THE Steamship

"AUSTRALIAN," Captain W. G. Macarthur, will be despatched as above on WEDNESDAY, the 29th inst., at Noon.

No cargo will be received on board on Tuesday.

Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office. Contents and Value of Packages are required.

For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.

Hongkong, 25th July, 1903.

NATAL LINE OF STEAMERS.

THE Undersigned GENERAL AGENTS in CHINA and JAPAN for the above Line are prepared to issue THROUGH BILLS OF LADING for all the principal ports in SOUTH AFRICA, in connection with INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION Co.'s fortnightly service hence to CALCUTTA. Sailings from CALCUTTA for CAPE PORTS every fortnight.

For Freight and further particulars, apply to

DODWELL & CO., LIMITED,

General Agents for China and Japan

Hongkong, 4th August, 1897

NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR DELAYS.

NEITHER THE CAPTAIN, THE AGENTS, nor the Owners will be RESPONSIBLE for any DELAY contracted by the Officers or the Crew of the following Vessels during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:

DNAWAB, Swedish bark, A. P. Larsson—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

FOR	STEAMERS	LEAVING
TAMUL VIA SWATOW	"DAIGI MARU"	FRIDAY, 31st July.
ANPING VIA SWATOW	"MAIDZURU MARU"	TUESDAY, 28th July.
FOOCHOW VIA SWATOW	"ANPING MARU"	SUNDAY, 2nd August.
AND AMOY	"CHIYO MARU"	WEDNESDAY, 29th July.

The Co.'s new Steamers are specially designed for the coast trade of South China and Formosa, and are fitted with all modern improvements. Excellent accommodation is provided for first-class passengers, and a duly qualified doctor is carried.

All Steamers carry the Imperial Japanese Mails, subject to periodical inspection by the Government Marine Surveyors, and are registered the highest class at Lloyd's.

Steamers will go alongside the Co.'s Pontoon at the Customs water front premises at Tsimshui to land all passengers and cargo.

By the Co.'s steamers for Shanghai, through Bills of Lading are issued for Cargo to Yangtze River Ports, as well as for North China Ports, in connection with the Nippon Yusen Kaisha's steamers from Shanghai.

For Freight, Passage, and further information, apply at the Company's local Branch Office at No. 8, Des Voeux Road Central.

Hongkong, 27th July, 1903.

T. ARIMA, Manager

HONGKONG-MANILA.

Highest Class, newest, fastest and most luxurious Steamers between Hongkong and Manila. Saloon amidships. Electric Light. Perfect Cuisine. Surgeon carried. All the most up-to-date arrangements for comfort of Passengers.

CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

STEAMSHIP	TONS	CAPTAIN	FOR	SAILING DATE
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RUBI	2540	R. W. Almond	Manila Direct.	Sat., 1st Aug., 10 A.M.
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ZAFIRO	2540	R. W. Almond	Manila Direct.	Sat., 8th Aug., 10 A.M.
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PERLA	1980	J. McGinley	Manila Direct.	Sat., 8th Aug., 10 A.M.
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For Freight or Passage, apply to

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,

GENERAL MANAGERS.

Hongkong, 27th July, 1903.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY CO.'S ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE.

THE FAST ROUTE BETWEEN CHINA, JAPAN, AND EUROPE, VIA CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES. CALLING AT SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA AND VICTORIA, B.C.

SAFETY. SPEED. PUNCTUALITY.

"Express" Twin Screw Steamships—6,000 Tons—10,000 Horse-Power—Speed 19 knots.

SAVING THREE TO SEVEN DAYS ACROSS THE PACIFIC.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

1903

R.M.S. "EMPEROR OF CHINA" ... 6,000 Tons ... WEDNESDAY, 5th Aug.

R.M.S. "ATHENIAN" ... 3,882 Tons ... WEDNESDAY, 12th Aug.

R.M.S. "EMPEROR OF INDIA" ... 6,000 Tons ... WEDNESDAY, 26th Aug.

R.M.S. "EMPEROR OF JAPAN" ... 6,000 Tons ... WEDNESDAY, 23rd Sept.

R.M.S. "TARTAR" ... 4,425 Tons ... WEDNESDAY, 7th Oct.

R.M.S. "EMPEROR OF CHINA" ... 6,000 Tons ... WEDNESDAY, 21st Oct.

R.M.S. "ATHENIAN" ... 3,882 Tons ... WEDNESDAY, 4th Nov.

R.M.S. "EMPEROR OF INDIA" ... 6,000 Tons ... WEDNESDAY, 18th Nov.

R.M.S. "EMPEROR OF JAPAN" ... 6,000 Tons ... WEDNESDAY, 16th Dec.

R.M.S. "TARTAR" ... 4,425 Tons ... WEDNESDAY, 30th Dec.

THE magnificent TWIN-SCREW "EMPEROR" STEAMSHIPS of this Line pass through the famous INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and usually make the voyage YOKOHAMA to VAN COUVER (B.C.) in 12 DAYS ("TARTAR" and "ATHENIAN" 14 DAYS), saving THREE DAYS TO A WEEK in the Trans-Pacific journey and make connection at Vancouver with the RAILROAD OVERLAND TRAINS OF THE CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY, which leave daily and cross the Continent FROM THE PACIFIC TO THE ATLANTIC WITHOUT CHANGE in 97 hours. Close connection is made at Montreal, Quebec, Halifax, New York and Boston with all Trans-Atlantic Lines, which passengers to Great Britain and the Continent are given choice of.

Passengers Booked through to all principal ports and AROUND THE WORLD. Return tickets to various points at reduced rates, Good for 4, 6, 9, and 12 months.

SPECIAL RATES (First class only) granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, and to European Officials in the Service of China and Japan Governments.

The attractive features of this Company's route embrace the RAILROAD STEAMSHIPS, (second to none in the world), the LUXURANCE OF ITS TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAINS (the Company having received the highest award for same at Chicago World Exhibition), and the diversity of MAGNIFICENT MOUNTAIN AND LAKE SCENERY through which the Railway passes.

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For further information, Maps, Guides, Books, Rates of Passage and Freight, apply to D. E. BROWN, General Agent, Pedder Street.

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JOINT SERVICES.

FORTNIGHTLY SAILINGS FOR LONDON AND CONTINENT.
MONTHLY SAILINGS FOR LIVERPOOL.

OUTWARDS.	
FROM	STEAMERS
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"NESTOR" On 28th July.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"TEUCER" On 30th July.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"NINGCHOW" On 8th August.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"KINTUCK" On 18th August.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"PINGSUEY" On 20th August.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"GLAUCUS" On 26th August.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"DEUCALION" On 4th September.

HOMEWARDS.	
FOR	STEAMERS
MARSEILLES, LONDON and ANTWERP	"STENTOR" On 4th August.
MARSEILLES, LONDON and ANTWERP	"TYDEUS" On 13th August.
MARSEILLES, LONDON and ANTWERP	"DIOMED" On 20th August.
MARSEILLES, LONDON and ANTWERP	"NESTOR" On 1st September.
MARSEILLES, LONDON and ANTWERP	"KINTUCK" On 15th September.
MARSEILLES, LONDON and ANTWERP	"PINGSUEY" On 22nd September.
MARSEILLES, LONDON and ANTWERP	"GLAUCUS" On 29th September.

TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE.

FOR	STEAMER	TO SAIL
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, and all PACIFIC COAST PORTS, VIA NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.	"NINGCHOW"	On 10th August.
	"DEUCALION"	On 6th September.
The s.s. "NESTOR" left Singapore on the 23rd inst. a.m., and may be expected to arrive at this port on the 28th inst.		
The s.s. "AJAX" left Victoria (B.C.) on the 16th inst. for Japan and Hongkong.		
For Freight, apply to—		
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,		
AGENTS.		
Hongkong, 25th July, 1903.		
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CHINA NAVIGATION CO. LIMITED.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
NINGPO and SHANGHAI	† "PAOTING"	On 27th July.
MANILA	† "TAIYUAN"	On 27th July.
TEURDAY ISLAND, COOK TOWN, (CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRIS- BANE, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE)	† "TAIYUAN"	On 27th July.
HOLO	† "WUCHANG"	On 28th July.
SHANGHAI and CHINKING	† "ICHANG"	On 28th July.
MANILA	† "SUNGKIANG"	On 29th July.
SWATOW, CHEFOO and TIENTSIN	† "KWEIYANG"	On 30th July.

* The attention of Passengers is directed to the superior accommodation offered by these steamers, which are fitted throughout with Electric Light. Unsurpassed Table. A daily qualified Surgeon is carried.

† Taking Cargo on through bills of lading to all Yangtze and Northern China Ports.
 † Taking Cargo and Passengers at through rates for all New Zealand Ports and other Australian Ports.

REDUCED SALOON FARES, SINGLE AND RETURN, TO MANILA AND AUSTRALIAN PORTS.

For Freight or Passage, apply to—
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
 AGENTS.

Hongkong, 25th July, 1903.

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Hongkong, 25th July, 1903.

PORTLAND & ASIATIC STEAMSHIP CO.

STEAMSHIP	TONS	CAPTAIN	TO SAIL ON
"INDRAPURA"	4,899	A. E. Hollingsworth	August 14, 1903
"INDRASAMHA"	5,197	W. E. Clayton	September 13, 1903
"INDRAVALLI"	4,899	R. P. Craven	October 14, 1903

Hongkong, 21st July, 1903.

NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP CO. BOSTON STEAMSHIP COMPANY. BOSTON TOW-BOAT COMPANY.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG,

STEAMER	CAPTAIN	TONS	SAILING DATE
VICTORIA	J. Paxton	3,502	August 1st
PELIADES	F. G. Furlington	3,753	August 15th
OLYMPIA	J. Trebridge	2,837	September 10th

Steamers marked * have no passenger accommodation.

THE attention of Passengers is directed to the very cheap rates offered by this line to the PACIFIC COAST and to the INTERIOR and EASTERN CITIES of the U.S.A. and STATES and to EUROPE. Special rates allowed to members of Government Services. Through Bills of Lading issued to Pacific Coast Points and to the Principal Cities in the United States and Canada. For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to—

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CHINA NAVIGATION CO. LIMITED.

HONGKONG-MANILA. REDUCED SALOON PASSAGE MONEY. SINGLE, \$20; RETURN, \$35. SEAMEN FITTED THROUGHOUT WITH ELECTRIC LIGHT. FIRST CLASS ACCOMMODATION. UNVALUED TABLE. DULY QUALIFIED SURGEON CARRIED. BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, AGENTS. Hongkong, 4th July, 1903.

THE new and fast Twin-Screw Steamer

"SAN CHEUNG," 951 Tons, Captain A. Murphy, will leave for Canton at 8 P.M. on SUNDAYS, TUESDAYS and THURSDAYS and return to Hongkong on the following days, leaving Canton at 5 P.M. Excellent accommodation, electric light, and perfect cuisine. Wharf at Hongkong near Harbour Office. First-class Fare, \$3 each way. Meals, \$1 each. Cargo Freight very moderate. J. TREVINO & CO., No. 123, Connaught Road Central. Hongkong, 30th June, 1903.

REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE TO NEW YORK VIA PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL.

(With liberty to call at Philippine Ports.)

THE Steamship "KENNEBEC" will be despatched as above on or about the 25th instant. For Freight and further information, apply to STANDARD OIL COMPANY OF NEW YORK, Oriental Freight Department, Agents. Hongkong, 3rd July, 1903.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON. THROUGH BILLS OF LADING ISSUED FOR BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL, AMERICAN AND SOUTH AFRICAN PORTS. THE Steamship

"COROMANDEL," Captain F. J. Fox, carrying His Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for Bombay, etc., on SATURDAY, the 1st AUGUST, at Noon, taking passengers and cargo for the above ports. Silk and Valuables, all cargo for France, and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London; other cargo for London, etc., will be conveyed via Bombay with transhipment. Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 P.M. the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required. Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills of Lading. For further particulars, apply to E. A. HEWITT, Superintendent. Hongkong, 22nd July, 1903.

REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE TO NEW YORK.

VIA PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL (WITH LIBERTY TO CALL AT PHILIPPINE PORTS).

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG, 1903. "SAINT BEDE" ... 8th Aug. "MOGUL" ... 15th Aug. "BRAEMAR" ... 22nd Aug. "SATSUMA" ... 29th Aug. "SHIMOSU" ... 5th Sep. For Freight and further information, apply to DODWELL & CO. LD., Agents. Hongkong, 27th July, 1903.

HONGKONG-MACAO LINE.

S.S. "WING CHAI," Captain Samuel Bell Smith. DEPARTURES from Hongkong on week days, at 7.30 A.M. on Excursion days, at 8.30 A.M. from Macao (week days) at 2 P.M. and (Sundays) about 8 P.M. FARE—(week days) 1st Class (including cabin and servant), \$3. Return Ticket \$5. 2nd Class \$1.50. Return Ticket \$2.50. 3rd Class \$1. Return Ticket \$1.50. On Excursion Sundays 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Class Single Ticket \$2. Return Ticket \$3. Return Ticket including Tiffin and Dinner either on board or at Macao Hotel \$5. The Steamer runs on Excursion Trip Every Sunday in Summer. SAM WANG & CO. LD., 81, Queen's Road Central. Hongkong, 25th July, 1903.

MITSU BISHI DOCKYARD AND ENGINE WORKS, NAGASAKI.

CODE WORD: "DOCK," NAGASAKI. A.I. & U.C. Scouts and Engineering Co. Ltd. Dock No. 1 (at TATEGAMI). Extreme Length ... 523 feet. Length on Blocks ... 513. Width of Entrance on Top ... 89. Width of Entrance on Bottom ... 77. Water on Blocks at Spring Tide ... 25. Dock No. 2 (at MUKAJIMA). Extreme Length ... 371 feet. Length on Blocks ... 359. Width of Entrance on Top ... 68. Width of Entrance on Bottom ... 53. Water on Blocks at Spring Tide ... 22. PATENT SLIT (at KOSUKE). Can take vessels up to 1,000 tons gross.

THE WORKS are well equipped with the LATEST IMPROVEMENTS and can execute any kind of work in SHIPBUILDING and MARINE ENGINEERING as well as in REPAIRING OF SHIPS. THE COMPANY has a SALVAGE STEAMER, 712 TONS GROSS, Fitted with POWERFUL SALVAGE PLANT, READY AT SHORT NOTICE. 1677

POLITICAL OBSTACLES TO MISSIONARY SUCCESS IN CHINA. LECTURE BY ALEXANDER MICHIE. PRICE 25 CENTS CASH. On Sale at "HONGKONG DAILY PRESS" Office and Local Newsagents. Hongkong, 20th April, 1901.

FOR SALE MAP OF THE SIKIANG OR WEST RIVER.

From Hongkong to Wuchowfu, Showing the Ports and Calling Places. Opened to Foreign Trade, 1897. Published at Daily Press Office. Price 25 Cents, Cash. Hongkong, 1st April, 1897.

KOWLOON EXTENSION.

A NEW MAP OF HONGKONG, KOWLOON AND ADJACENT TERRITORIES showing the Boundary under the New Convention, with the Towns, Villages, etc. Prepared from Authoritative Sources and Printed in Colours. Price \$1. To be had at Messrs. KELLY & WALSH, LD., W. B. BROWN & CO. or Daily Press Office. Hongkong, 28th October, 1898.

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES FROM HAMBURG, BREMEN AND EMDEN.

THE H.A.L. Steamship

"C. FERD. LAEISZ" Captain Sachs, having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature by the Undersigned and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon, To-day, the 22nd inst. Any Cargo impeding her discharge will be landed into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 29th inst. will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 29th inst., at 3 P.M. No Fire Insurance has been effected. HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE, Hongkong Office. Hongkong, 22nd July, 1903.

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE. NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD. HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship

"SACHSEN," OF THE NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasures and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 6 P.M., To-day, the 22nd inst. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 29th July will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on Wednesday, the 29th July, at 9.30 A.M. All Claims must reach us before the 1st August, or they will not be recognised. No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned. NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, MELCHERS & CO., Agents. Hongkong, 22nd July, 1903.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co's Steamship,

"CANDIA," FROM ANTWERP, LONDON, PORT SAID, SUEZ AND STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Optional Goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 10 A.M. To-morrow, the 24th inst. Goods not cleared by the 30th inst., at 4 P.M., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever. Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees and the Company's representative at an appointed hour. All Claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognised. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns.

E. A. HEWITT, Superintendent. Hongkong, 23rd July, 1903.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

CONSIGNEES per Company's Steamer

"HECTOR"

are hereby notified that the Cargo is being discharged into Craft, and/or loaded at the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., where in both cases it will be at consignees' risk. The Cargo will be ready for delivery from Craft or Godown on and after the 25th instant.

Optional Cargo will be landed, unless notice has been given prior to steamer's arrival. All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined at 11 A.M. on the 31st inst. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the steamer's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 31st inst. will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 3rd prox., or they will not be recognised. No Fire Insurance has been effected. BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents. Hongkong, 21st July, 1903.

NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP "VICTORIA," FROM TACOMA, VICTORIA, YOKOHAMA, KOBE, MOI AND HANGHAI.

The above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense. No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever. DODWELL & CO., LD., Agents. Hongkong, 24th July, 1903.

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STOCKS.	N ^o . OF SHARES.	ISSUE VALUE.	PAID UP.	LANT DIVIDEND.	CLOSING QUOTATIONS.
BANKS.					
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation	80,000	\$125	\$125	40 div. & 10 p.c. bonus 1st 17th = 22.25 per share for 2nd half y. ended 31-11-1902	\$180. London 264.
National Bank of China, Ltd. 8% guaranteed shares	26,010 A 14,443 B (750 fdrs.)	410 410 21	424 426 21	3 1/4 per share 3 1/4 at 1 7/8 = \$1.004	\$27. sales. \$27. sales. \$10.
MARINE INSURANCES.					
Union Ins. Society, Ltd.	10,000	\$250	\$100	10 p. c. for 1901	\$500, sales & sellers.
North Traders' Ins. Co., Ltd.	25,000	\$85.35		60 p. c. for 1901	\$42, sales.
China Ind. Ins. Co., Ltd.	5,000	\$100	\$25	Int. of 4 p.c. = 2 1/4 at exchange 2/2 = Tls. 9.00 for 1902	Tls. 230.
Yangtze Ins. Assocn., Ltd.	8,000	\$100	\$80	\$12 = 20 p. c. for 1901	\$135.
Marine Insurance Office, Ltd.	10,000	\$250	\$50	\$14 for 1901	\$180, sales.
Marine Insurance Co., Ltd.	30,000	\$100	\$20	5 per cent. for 1899	\$1, nominal.
FIRE INSURANCES.					
Hongkong Fire Ins. Co., Ltd.	8,000	\$250	\$50	\$22 1/2 for 1901	\$327 1/2 buyers.
China Fire Ins. Co., Ltd.	20,000	\$100	\$20	\$5 for 1901	\$88.
SHIPPING.					
Hongkong, Canton, and Amoy S. S. Co., Ltd.	80,000	\$15	\$15	\$1.50 for half year ended 31-12-1902	\$38, buyers.
Indo-China S. S. Co., Ltd.	60,000	410	410	5 per cent. for 1902 = 10 = \$5.00	\$65, buyers.
China & Manilla S. S. Co., Ltd.	20,000 10,000	\$50 \$50	\$50 \$45	10 p. c. for 1900	\$21. 4 1/2.
Canton Steamship Co., Ltd.	20,000	\$50	\$50	6 per cent. for year ending 30-9-1902	\$40, sales & buyers.
Star Ferry Co., Limited	23,000	\$10 \$10	\$5 \$6	12 per cent. for year ended 30-4-1903	\$27, buyers. \$17, buyers.
Shell Transport & Trading Co., Limited	2,000,000	41	41	Int. div. of 6 1/2 p. share (coupon No. 3) on account of 1902	1st 2s. 6d., sales & buy.
REFINERIES.					
China Sugar Refining Com- pany, Limited	20,000	\$100	\$100	Fin. of 7 p.c. making in all 12 p.c. for 1901	\$624, buyers.
Amoy Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.	7,000	\$100	\$100	\$9 for 1897	\$40, buyers.
MINING.					
Canton Mining Co., Ltd.	60,000	\$11	\$11	None	\$2, buyers.
Do. Preference	30,000	\$1	\$1		do. do.
Société des Char- bonnages du Tonkin	16,000	Tls. 250	Tls. 250	Fin. div. of 8 p.c. = on account of 1902	\$600, sellers.
China Mining and Tradi- ng Company, Ltd.	60,000	\$5	\$5	5 p. c. half year end. 31-7-94 (coupon 9)	\$14, sellers.
Amoy American Gold Mining Co., Limited	200,000	41	18 1/2	1 1/2 p. share = 35 cts. 12th div.	\$81, buyers.
DOCKS, WHARVES, &c.					
Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., Limited	50,000	\$50	\$50	10 p. c. & 2 p. c. bonus, half year 31-12-1902	\$215, sellers.
Wharf and Newland Wharf and G. Co., Ltd.	30,000	\$50	\$50	Fin. of \$2 1/2 making in all \$4 1/2 p. c. for 1903	\$88, buyers.
Amoy Dock Co., Ltd.	6,000	\$92	\$92	\$2 1/2 for 1902	\$37 1/2, ex div.
C. P. Farman, Roy & Co., Ltd.	56,700	Tls. 104	Tls. 104	7 per cent. interim div.	Tls. 157 1/2, ex div. buy.
LANDS, HOTELS & BUILDINGS.					
Hongkong Land Invest- ment & Agency Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$100	\$100	Final of \$6, making in all \$12 per share 1902	\$161, sellers.
Kowloon Land & B. Co. Ltd.	6,000	\$50	\$50	\$2.30 per share for 1902	\$38, sellers.
Vest Point B. Co., Ltd.	12,500	\$50	\$50	Final of \$1.50 mak- ing in all \$3.10 per share for 1902	\$52.
Hongkong Hotel Co., Ltd.	12,000	\$50	\$50	12 p. c. for half year ended 31-12-1902	\$150, sellers.
Oriente Hotel Company, Ltd.	7,000	\$50	\$50	8 p. c. = 5 for half year ending 31-12-02	\$421, buyers.
Telegraph Estate & Fin. Company, Limited	100,000	\$10	\$10	90 c. per share for 1902	\$12, buyers.
COTTON MILLS.					
Two Cotton Spinning and W. Company, Limited	17,500	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	3 1/2 p. c. for period ending 31-10-97	Tls. 86, sales.
International Cotton Mill- ing Company, Limited	10,000	Tls. 75	Tls. 75	3 p. c. on account of '98	Tls. 40, sellers.
One-sing-mow Cotton Spinning and Weaving Company, Limited	8,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	4 p. c. on account of '98 on 9,000 shares	Tls. 40, buyers.
Yee Chee Cotton Spin Co., Ltd.	2,000	Tls. 500	Tls. 500	1 p. c. for period ending 31-12-02	Tls. 160.
Hongkong Cotton Spin- ning and Weaving & Dyeing Company, Limited	125,000	\$10	\$10	4 p. c. on account of 1902-1903	\$15, buyers.
MISCELLANEOUS.					
Mail Investment Co., Ltd.	20,000	\$50	\$50	None	\$15, buyers.
Green Island Cement Co., Ltd.	10,000	\$10	\$10	12 p. c. for 1902	\$4, buyers.
China Cement Co., Ltd.	60,000	\$12	\$12	Final div. of 60 cts. making \$1.10 in all per share on account of 1902	\$10, sellers. \$14, sellers.
S. S. Watson & Co., Ltd.	60,000	\$10	\$10	90 cts. year 30-4-03 14 cts. year 30-4-03	12.60, sellers.
Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd.	30,000	\$10	\$10	10 cts. div. 1 p. c. for 1901	\$7, buyers.
Hongkong and China Gas Company, Limited	7,000	410	410	10 cts. for 1901	\$140, buyers.
Hongkong Rope Mfg. Co., Ltd.	10,000	\$50	\$50	20 per cent. for 1902	\$145.
Co. Fenwick & Co., Ltd.	6,000	\$25	\$25	10 per cent. for 1902	\$47 1/2.
Hongkong Ice Co., Ltd.	6,000	\$25	\$25	Fin. of \$12 making in all \$10 per share for 1902	\$290, buyers.
K. High-Level Tramway Company, Limited	1,250	\$100	\$100	\$18 for year ended 30-11-1902	\$320.
K. Steam Water-boat Co., Limited	7,500	\$10	\$10	Int. div. of 6 per cent. for period ending 31-3-03	\$141, buyers.
Muiry Farm Company, Ltd.	10,000	\$7 1/2	\$6	Divts. for year ended 31-7-02	\$12.
Hong & China Bakery Company, Limited	600	\$20	\$50	3 per cent. for 1901	\$40, buyers.
Ameyell, Moore & Co., Ltd.	1,200	\$10	\$10	25 per cent. for 1902	\$40, sellers.
Asbestos & Earth Agency, Limited	8,004	12 1/2	12 1/2	None	\$6, sales.
Asbestos Oriental Agency, Limited	30,000 fdrs.	\$10	\$4	Divts. (1 p. share for year ended 31-5-1902)	\$10, buyers.
Urban Planting Co., Ltd.	20,000	\$5	\$3	None	\$225, buyers.
Providence Loan and Savings Company, Ltd.	250,000	\$10	\$10	80 cents for year ended 31-12-02	\$0.75, sellers.
Latins, Limited	10,000	\$10	\$10	10 per cent. for 1902	\$7, buyers.
Universal Trading Company, Limited	50,000	\$20	\$20	6 per cent. for year ended 30-9-1902	\$23, buyers.
China Light & Power Company, Limited	16,000	\$20	\$20	None	\$42.
Robinson Piano Co., Ltd.	4,000	\$50	\$50	5 p. c. for half year ending 31-12-02	\$50.
William Powell, Limited	12,000	\$10	\$10	Fin. of 6 p.c. = 10 p.c. in all for year ending 30-6-1902	\$10, sellers.
Alhambra, Limited	300	\$500	\$500	25 p. c. for year ended 30-6-00	\$250, buyers.
Philippine Tobacco Trust Co., Ltd.	20,000	\$50	\$50	None	\$18.

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showed the water to be suitable for potable purposes, arrangements were at once made to render it available for transport to the Praya, where it could be distributed for the supply of the population of the low-level district. By negotiation with the owner of the sandalwood mill, the use of his dam and channel was obtained, the latter being extended for a distance of over 300 yards to a point near the shore whence a bamboo pier, 400 feet long, was constructed to carry a large wooden shoot for discharging the water into lighters. It was found necessary to line the new channel, as the water flowing along it became very muddy on account of the washing away of the softer portions of ground through which it was cut, and this was done with Dutch stoneware pipes. Three large lighters, each capable of containing over 90,000 gallons, were hired, and, after being thoroughly cleansed, were fitted up with timber bulkheads in order to adapt them for conveying water. Before the end of the drought, the number of lighters was increased to five. These were filled from the shoot already referred to and towed to the Praya. On the Praya, three tanks having a combined capacity of 100,000 gallons were constructed of brick and concrete. One was situated near Wing Lok Street, another at the west end of Wing Lok Street, and the third at Eastern Street, all three being connected by a line of wrought-iron or cast-iron pipe, 6 and 7 inches in diameter, laid along the Praya wall. Barriers were erected at the tanks, with entrances and exits, to enable the stream of people to be regulated and thus avoid loss of time through the confusion which might otherwise have arisen. At the central tank, a 6-inch centrifugal pump, mounted on a large, and provided with the necessary boiler and connections to the lighters and tank, was stationed for pumping the water. All the tanks being supplied simultaneously through the pipe-line already mentioned. About 20 large tanks, each of which was capable of filling a 5-gallon bucket in a minute, were provided at each tank in the first instance, 5 more tanks being added subsequently. A duplicate set of pumping machinery was fitted up and held in readiness in case of a break down occurring to the one in use. Military guards were stationed at the tanks to maintain order and ensure that all who came to obtain water should take their turn in their order of coming. The arrangements were put into working order on the 10th March, and from that date onwards till the 17th May, a regular, daily supply was maintained from the tanks, varying from 947,000 gallons at the beginning to 432,000 gallons at the end of the period mentioned.

Simultaneously with the inauguration of this supply, the water in the mains was shut off from a portion of the City extending along the Harbour front and back to Queen's Road bounded by the Central Market on the East and the Soldiers' Home on the West and containing a population of about 47,000. As the daily supply from the tanks was increased, the cut-off area was extended back to Hollywood Road and High Street until it ultimately included a population of about 63,000. Practically the whole of the water obtainable from the stream near Tsau Wan was being imported towards the termination of the drought, the total quantity derived from this source being over 23 million gallons, or about one-third of the Pokfulam Reservoir. Taking it over the whole period, the average daily supply delivered per head of the population of the cut-off area was 5.8 gallons.

In addition to the above arrangements were made with Messrs. Butterfield & Swire for obtaining a supply from their principal reservoir for the Eastern district of the City. A line of pipes connecting with the reservoir referred to was placed at the service of the Government by Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co. for eight hours daily, and a supplementary main, over a mile in length, was laid. The quantity that could be obtained from this source was originally stated to be 15 million gallons, but, in consequence of an error which had been made in calculating the contents of their reservoirs, Messrs. Butterfield & Swire subsequently discovered that they were not in a position to supply so much. The actual quantity obtained was a little over 12 million gallons. With the curtailment of the area served from the City Waterworks, it became possible to reduce the hours of supply and these were limited to two hours daily on the 31st March and to one hour on the 28th April. In consequence of the steady continuance of the drought up to the end of April, instructions were given by His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government to make arrangements for importing more water to the City at any cost. Numerous schemes for so doing were considered and several were initiated.

For the supply of the Eastern district, it was decided to convey water from a small stream at Tai Wan in Kowloon Bay, distant five miles from Blake Pier, in a similar manner to that adopted in the case of the Tsauwan stream. A dam was built across the stream, whence the water was conducted in an open channel, 700 yards long, to a tank near the sea-shore. From this point, three lines of canvas hose, supported on trestles, were laid for a distance of 587 yards across the foreshore to where lighters could be filled at all states of the tide. A large tank, into which the water was to be pumped was fitted up at Ship Street, numerous taps being provided for drawing it off into buckets. These works were completed, but were not brought into service on account of the rainy season setting in before they could be availed of. In order to supply additional areas in the central and western low-level districts, beyond those already supplied from Tsauwan, works were undertaken for bringing water from a stream at Tai Lam Chung, near Castle Peak Bay and distant 13 miles from Blake Pier. These

works comprised the construction of a dam, 1,200 lineal feet of open channel; 2 miles of cast-iron pipes, 12 inches in diameter; trestle bridges over rapids and a trestle pier at the sea-shore. Brick tanks, each having a capacity of 34,000 gallons, to receive the water from this source, were constructed on the Praya, one opposite Pottinger Street and the other opposite French Street. All these works were about half finished when the rains set in.

For transporting the water, two lighters were lent by the Superintendent of the Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company, and five others were hired from the Godown Company and Naval Authorities, all of them being fitted with bulkheads and otherwise adapted for the purpose. Some other works of a similar nature to these already described, but of less magnitude, were also undertaken and a scheme was considered for obtaining a supply of river-water from Moto Mun, distant about 60 miles from the Colony. It was proposed to transport the water in tank steamers to be chartered for the purpose, but apart from objections on the score of expense, which would have been very great, it was found that it would be impracticable to maintain a regular daily supply by its adoption and the scheme was therefore abandoned.

Towards the end of the drought, the streams rendered available by the City Waterworks continued to yield about 290,000 gallons per day. The water in Tytan reservoir, Pokfulam and Wongneichong being empty, reached its lowest level on the 19th May, when there remained in it 6,000,000 gallons. At the same rate of draw-off as prevailed during the preceding 10 days, sufficient to last for 18 days, or practically until the end of May. Rain began to fall in appreciable quantity on the 8th May and, on the 13th, a fall of nearly 7 inches occurred, effectually terminating the severe drought which had extended over a period of practically nine months. By the 25th May, the condition of the reservoirs justified a return to the system of constant supply, and this was accordingly put in force after a period of intermittent supply extending over 195 days, or 6 months.

The total expenditure on the works undertaken to supplement the supply was \$86,400. As already mentioned, in consequence of the early cessation of the rains and the exceptionally dry weather during September, recourse was again had to intermittent supply on the 1st November. Tytan and Pokfulam reservoirs had ceased to overflow on the 1st September and Wongneichong at an earlier date, the combined contents of all three reservoirs on the 1st November amounting to 354 million gallons. This had been reduced to 293 million gallons at the close of the year.

The total quantity of water supplied during the year, exclusive of what was imported or obtained from Messrs. Butterfield & Swire's reservoir, was 947,517,000 gallons filtered and 24,753,040 gallons unfiltered, making a grand total of 972,270,000 or 322 millions less than during 1902. The average consumption of filtered water per day was 2,595,000 gallons, which, with an estimated population of 214,300, gives an average daily consumption of 12.11 gallons per head for all purposes. The daily consumption per head, during the period of constant supply, amounted to 17.6 gallons and during the latter period of intermittent supply to 10.5 gallons. In consequence of the exceptional conditions prevailing during the earlier period of intermittent supply, no accurate figures for it can be given, but taking the entire population, the quantity supplied averaged 6.5 gallons, exclusive of unfiltered and imported supplies.

The water pumped to the High Level District of the City amounted to 30,450,000 gallons over the whole year, equal to an average daily consumption of 83,421 gallons, whilst 17,443,000 gallons were pumped to the Hill District, giving an average daily consumption of 47,785 gallons. The grand total pumped during the whole year amounted to 47,893,000 gallons.

Maintenance of Waterworks, Kowloon.—Kowloon, in common with the City, suffered from the severe drought. Fortunately, the wells, which form the source of supply in connection with the old water works, continued to yield water throughout the dry season. The Chung Sha Wan Intakes, at which improvements had been made, were utilized to the fullest extent possible and assisted greatly in enabling a supply to be maintained. The total consumption for the year amounted to 161,922,000 gallons or an average consumption of 452,000 gallons per day, which, with an estimated population of 56,500, gives 8 gallons per head per day for all purposes.

Waterworks Ordinance.—A new Ordinance prepared principally with the object of causing economy in the use of water by penalizing the waste or extravagant use of it, was read a first time on the 4th June and, after undergoing extensive amendments, passed on the 13th August. The principal provisions of the Ordinance as passed were the disconnection of all services to tenement houses whenever a supply of water was rendered available from public fountains in their vicinity and the metering of all services to premises other than tenement houses. Steps were taken to carry these provisions into effect and, as mentioned elsewhere, public fountains were extensively fitted up in certain districts of the City. In consequence of instructions received from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, however, the disconnection of the services to tenement houses was not proceeded with and the fixing of fountains was discontinued.

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the basement for the heating chamber, were in progress during the year and were nearly completed at its close. The total number of piles driven was 1,447. It was found necessary to make some alterations in the basement in order to accommodate the heating apparatus properly, and these involved some delay in the work. Considerable delay was also caused by the discovery of unsatisfactory material in a portion of the foundations, necessitating its being taken up and replaced with good material. The work was proceeded with in a very dilatory manner during the latter part of the year. Tenders for the superstructure were received in December.

Tai Po Road.—The whole of the work has been completed, with the exception of the surfacing of the road and the trimming of some banks in the last five miles and fixing railings to bridges, and erecting some cutting in the last mile. The road is open to ricksha traffic throughout its entire length of 18 miles from Tsimshatsui Point to Tai Po. Two miles of it consist of roads in the Old Territory, which were made before the New Territory was taken over, thus making the length of roadway constructed under the vote "Tai Po Road" 16 miles. Commencing from Tsimshatsui Point in order to avoid confusion in referring to the mileage of the road, the first 3 miles are practically level. After this, the road begins to ascend the Kowloon Range of hills running along the Southern slopes at a gradient generally of 1 in 20 up to a gap at a height of 441 feet, which is reached at about 4 miles. It then traverses the Northern slopes of the range at comparatively easy gradients until it reaches the gap overlooking the Shatin Valley. The highest point of the road is 517 feet above Ordnance Datum, the level of the gap last mentioned being 442 feet, and its distance 6 miles from the starting-point. Following a downward gradient of 1 in 40, the flat land of the Shatin Valley is reached at 8 miles and the road then runs level along the North side of Tide Cove or Shatin Inlet to about 11 miles. Leaving Tide Cove, another ascent commences over a gap 370 feet high, which is passed at 13 miles, and the road then falls by easy gradients to the shore of Tolo Harbour which is reached opposite the village of Wongnau, at 17 miles. Crossing a large stream by a bridge of 120 feet in length it touches a small island, where the landing pier for Tai Po is situated and, after traversing an embankment 2,000 feet in length, passes through a cutting and terminates near Tai Po village, where it joins an old pathway. The width of the road is 14 feet. There are in all 17 bridges, 13 of one span, 2 of two spans, 1 of three spans and 1 of 4 spans. The spans vary from 10 to 30 feet in length. All the bridges have masonry abutments and piers and are constructed of cement supported on steel joists. Iron railings are provided.

Waterworks, Kowloon.—In accordance with the advice of Mr. O. Chudrick, C.M.G., surveys and preliminary works were undertaken with a view to constructing a storage reservoir at Tytan, from which the water could be pumped up to the Tytan Tunnel. A site in the upper part of the estuary was selected, where it appeared possible that a dam with a large impounding capacity could be constructed. A number of borings were made and three trial-pits were undertaken in order to obtain reliable information regarding the nature of the foundation to be met with. The trial pits or wells are constructed of brick in cement built on top of a cast-iron curb and are of a diameter of 5 ft. 8 in. internally. The depths to which they had been sunk at the close of the year were 32 ft. 5 in., 31 ft. and 8 ft. respectively, below Ordnance Datum; no rock had, however, been met with at these depths. Two barges, equipped with boilers, steam winches, derricks, &c., were in use, the walls being kept dry by means of a palisade pump or by being, according to circumstances, digging was carried on by hand or by a grab bucket operated by the steam winches, as found most suitable. The men employed on the work suffered a good deal from malarial fever of a severe type.

Site for New Post Office, Treasury, &c.—The area of Reclamation pertaining to Marine Lots Nos. 99 and 100 bounded by Connaught Road, Polder Street, and Des Voeux Road on the North, East and South sides, respectively, was acquired by Government for the site of the New Post Office. It is also intended to provide accommodation on the site, by erecting a three-storied building, for the Treasury and other departments. Competitive designs for the building were called for from architects in the Colony and in Shanghai and Singapore. The area of the site is 25,414 square feet; the amount paid for it being \$708,280, or at the rate of \$30 per square foot.

Plague Account.—A sum of \$16,231 was expended under this heading, principally for the erection of various methods for housing the Sanitary Staff, &c. (\$4,765); the construction of a pier and pathway to the Plague Cemetery at Cheung Sha Wan (\$2,944); and fixing wire rat-proof nettings over the gully gratings (\$1,932).

PRAYA RECLAMATION WORKS.

The expenditure for the year was \$110,708, as compared with \$91,772 in 1901 and \$150,650 in 1900. The total building area to be provided by the Reclamation is 33 acres. An area of 27 acres has been made available, and the whole of it, except about one acre, has been taken over by the several parties entitled to it.

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SHARE REPORT.

Messrs. Erich Georg & Co. say in their weekly share list dated Hongkong, 25th July.—Another week has passed without any improvement; the business reported is of very small dimensions only, and there is nothing of interest to chronicle. The rates on Shanghai are 71½ for a T/T and 72½ for a three days' sight private paper.

BANKS.—Hongkong and Shanghai have ruled very quiet; a small business was transacted at \$68½, but shares may be obtainable at \$69; the London rate is 264.

MARINE INSURANCE SHARES.—Unions sold and have further sellers at \$500. China Traders sold at \$62 and Cantsans at \$180.

FIRE INSURANCE SHARES.—Hongkong are in demand at \$327½. China Fires sold at \$88 and more shares are obtainable at this rate.

SHIPPING STOCKS.—The report of the Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Company has appeared in print and we take from it the following figures:—After paying running expenses, salaries, premia of insurance, repairs and all other outgoings, there remains, including \$50,704.14 (against \$44,043.29 on 31st December, 1902) the sum of \$161,991.70 (against \$245,701.14 on 31st December, 1902) at credit of profit and loss account. From this amount the directors recommend that a dividend for the half-year of 10 per cent. (same as on 31st December, 1902) be paid; \$16,438.74 (against \$50,000 on 31st December, 1902) be written off book value of steamers, leaving a balance of \$5,552.96 to be carried to new account (against \$50,704.14 on 31st December, 1902). Increased running expenses, combined with keen opposition on the Hongkong-Macao line, account for the falling-off in the steamers' net earnings during the past half-year. Shares are in demand at \$38. Indo-China have ruled quite during the week, closing with buyers at \$95. China Masins are quiet at \$21 and \$16 respectively; Douglases are in demand at \$40.

REFINERIES.—China Sugars, after ruling very quiet during the week, have buyers at \$92½, with no shares forthcoming.

MINING SHARES.—Panjones ordinary shares sold and could be placed at \$2 after sales at \$220 and \$215; the remainder under this heading is unchanged.

DOCKS, WHARVES AND GODOWNS.—Whampoa Docks are a little easier and after small sales at \$217, \$216 and \$215½, the market closes quiet at \$215. Kowloon Wharves are in demand at \$88. New Army Docks have buyers at \$37½ ex. div. of \$2½, and Fanhuams are stronger in the North with buyers at \$15½ ex. dividend of \$2½, after having touched \$15½.

LANDS, HOTELS AND BUILDINGS.—Land Investments are on offer at \$161; Hongkong Hotels have improved to \$42½ buyers, and Humphreys Estates could be placed at \$15.

COTTONS.—Ewes sold at \$15. International at \$15. 40, Laou-kung-moos are wanted at \$15. 40, Hongkong Cottons at \$15.

MISCELLANEOUS.—Manila Investments can be placed at \$15. Green Islands at \$24; China-Bornes have weakened to \$10 sellers. Ices have improved to \$250 buyers, Steam Water Boats \$14½. Hongkong and China Bakery have buyers at \$10. The United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Ltd., has issued its report for the year ending 31st May, 1903. The balance at the credit of profit and loss account after writing off \$1,168.55 for depreciation (against \$65.40 for the preceding year) and including \$489.03 (against \$73.80) brought forward from last year, is \$19,990.44 (against \$15,389.03 for the previous year) which sum the directors propose to distribute as follows: to place to reserve fund \$6,000 increasing same to \$14,000, to pay a dividend of 15 per cent. and 7½ per cent. on ordinary shares, absorbing \$8,910.00; to pay \$29.70 per share on \$100 founders' shares, absorbing \$2,970.00; to pay to General Managers \$30,000.00 and to carry forward to new account the balance of \$119.44. Ordinary shares are in demand at \$10, founders have buyers at \$22½. The remainder under this heading is unchanged at quotations.

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From 27th July to the 2nd August.

Date	High Water.			Low Water.		
	Mean Time.	Height.	Mean Time.	Mean Time.	Height.	Mean Time.
Mon. 27	h. m.	ft. in.	h. m.	ft. in.	h. m.	ft. in.
Tue. 28	11 22 3	4 9	5 24	0 6	5 24	0 6
Wed. 29	11 22 3	4 9	5 24	0 6	5 24	0 6
Thurs. 30	11 22 3	4 9	5 24	0 6	5 24	0 6
Fri. 31	11 22 3	4 9	5 24	0 6	5 24	0 6
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Sun. 2	11 22 3	4 9	5 24	0 6	5 24	0 6

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